

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2404 - SB 2759

March 17, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes the Drug Investigation Division within the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation to investigate, gather evidence and assist in the prosecution of criminal offenses involving controlled substances, narcotics and other drugs. Transfers all bureau agents, supervisors, administrators and support staff involved in investigation or prosecution of offenses involving illegal controlled substances, narcotics or other drugs to this division. Creates a chief administrator of the Drug Investigation Division. Requires the Drug Investigation Division to apply for all federal or state funds or grants available for the division. Divides the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation into three divisions, criminal investigation, drug investigation and forensic services; requires the director to have full control over the activities of each division.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$2,372,000 Recurring
\$1,145,000 One-time**

Other Fiscal Impact - Shifts an estimated \$1,858,700 and corresponding staff from the existing Drug Division within T.B.I. to the newly created Drug Investigation Division, also within TBI.

Expenditure estimate reflects the addition of 20 agents, administrative positions and support staff in the Drug Investigation Division. One-time expenditures reflect the procurement of equipment for the additional agents and for the expanded division.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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